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In re application of: Luis Rafael  
HERRERA ESTRELLA

Serial No.: 09/701,589

Filed: November 29, 2000

) Title: PROCESS FOR OBTAINING  
) TRANSGENIC PLANTS HAVING  
) IMPROVED NUTRIENT UPTAKE  
) CAPACITY AND TOLERANCE TO TOXIC  
) COMPOUNDS PRESENT IN SOILS

) Attorney Docket: TJK/137

) Group Art Unit: 1655

) Examiner: J. Taylor

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action mailed June 13, 2001 for which the term for response expired September 13, 2001. Please find attached herewith a check in the amount of \$460 for a three month extension of term based on the small entity status of the Applicant accompanied by a duplicate extension request.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows: